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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Pierre Lelong et al.

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For: PROCESSING METHOD AND

SYSTEM FOR 3-D GEOMETRIC

MODELING OF THE SPINE

Confirmation No. 5188

Group Art Unit: 2623

Examiner: Mehrdad Dastouri

DO NOT ENTER. UD 4/27/04

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

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Dear Examiner:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed March 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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